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SUBJ: POSSIBLE US VISIT BY IRAQI AGR OFFICIALS

REF: A. BAGHDAD 169; B. STATE 43370; C. PRICHER TO KILLOUGH
LETTER 2/25/75.

1. USINT LEARNED MAR 3 THAT TWO GOI OFFICIALS WISH ATTEND
NEW ORLEANS FACT FINDING CONFERENCE APR 30-MAY 2, 75
(REFTELS.) OFFICIALS, BOTH US-EDUCATED, ARE DR HUSSAIN AL-ANI
AND JUNAID FAHAD AL-TIKRITI, PRESIDENT AND VICE PRES
RESPECTIVELY, OF MIN OF AGRICULTURE'S STATE ORGANIZATION
FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT (SOAD). BOTH INVITED BY POULTRY
AND EGG INSTITUTE OF AMERICA (PEIA).

2. ONE DIFFICULTY IS THAT MIN RELUCTANT FUND LONG JOURNEY TO
STATES SOLELY FOR THREE DAY CONF. ALSO WOULD GREATLY SPEED UP
GOI APPROVAL PROCESS IF PEIA WOULD
REPEAT INVITATIONS ASAP THROUGH "PROPER" CHANNELS, IN THIS
CASE MR AMIN HASSA, HEAD IRAQI INTERESTS SECTION WASHINGTON.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: USDA (A) PASS ABOVE TO PEIA; (B) IF
POSSIBLE SUGGEST LONGER PROGRAM (2 TO 4 WEEKS) FOR
SOAD OFFICIALS AND INFORM BOTH USINT AND IRAQ INT. GIVEN
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RKET POTENTIAL OF IRAQ, PEIA MAY WISH SPONSOR AND FUND

PORTION OF TRAVEL, IF THIS CONSIDERED APPROPRIATE.

4. USINT WILL SEEK DEVELOP MORE INFO ABOUT THINGS
SOAD PARTY WOULD LIKE TO DO AND SEE ON PROPOSED US VISIT.
MOST IMPORTANT THING NOW IS BEGIN MOVING THROUGH IRAQ INT CHANNEL.
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